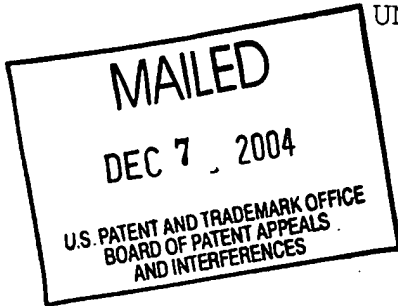


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Ex parte MAX A. FEDOR, ERIC R. COLBURN,  
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ORDER REMANDING TO EXAMINER

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On October 29, 2004, applicants filed a timely Supplemental Reply Brief (Paper No. 24).

In accordance with the revision effective September 13, 1004, Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §41.43 states:

(a)(1)... the primary examiner must acknowledge receipt and entry of the reply brief. In addition, the primary examiner may withdraw the final rejection and reopen prosecution or may furnish a supplemental examiner's answer responding to any new issue raised in the reply brief.

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Accordingly, it is

**ORDERED** that the application is remanded to the Examiner for consideration and proper response to the Supplemental Reply Brief and for such further action as may be appropriate.

It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be informed promptly of any action affecting the appeal (i.e., abandonment, issue, reopening prosecution).

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